CHURCH NEWS

MEETING OF HAZEL MOON CIRCLE AT LIBERTY CHURCH

The monthly meeting of the Hazel Moon Circle of the Liberty Baptist Church will be held Monday night, January 12, at 7:30 o'clock, at the church, with Mrs. Lougenia Doss and Mrs. Barbara Cawthorne as co-hostesses. A mission study book entitled, "Into a New World" will be taught by Miss Emily Wood Burke, and Miss Audrey Evans, members of the Young Woman's Auxiliary of Liberty Church. All members are urged to attend.

Red Oak Baptist Church
Rev. J. E. Greene, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:45 A. M.
Training Union, 6:30 P. M.
Evening Worship, 7:30 P. M.
Business Meeting, Thursday, Jan. 15, 7:30 P. M.

Memorial Methodist Church
Richard A. Bergdoll, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:45 A. M.
C. W. Smith, Superintendent.
11:00 A. M. Morning Worship. Why I am a Methodist.
7:30 P. M. Evening Worship. Guest Speaker
Dr. Basil R. Truscott, a former missionary to Argentina.

Seventh-day Adventist Church
Services Every Sabbath
W. P. Lawrence, Pastor
Phone 4451
Appomattox, Va.
Sabbath School, 9:30 Sat. A. M.
Worship Service, 11:00 Sat. A. M.
Subject: "Whiter Than Snow."
Communion this week.
Welcome.

Bethany Pentecostal Holiness Church
D. L. le Roux, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 A. M.
Morning Worship, 11 A. M.
Youth Service, 1 P. M.
Evening Worship, 7:30 P. M.
Wednesday night Prayer Meeting 7:30 P. M.
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Appomattox Court House Presbyterian Church
Twyman W. Williams, Minister
Sunday School, 10 A. M.
Worship Service, 11 A. M., with Holy Communion.
Youth Fellowship, 6:30 P. M.
Cherub Choir, 3 P. M. Monday
Junior Choir, 7 P. M. Monday.
The Afternoon Circle will meet Tuesday, Jan. 13, at 3 o'clock, with Mrs. D. E. Caldwell, Jr. The Evening Circle will meet on Wednesday, Jan. 14, at 8 P. M., with Mrs. D. R. Caldwell.

St. Ann's Episcopal Church
(First Sunday After Epiphany)
Church open for Prayer and Meditation.

Opportunities At Liberty
Sunday
9:45 A. M. Bible Study.
11:00 A. M. Worship: "Society Savers."
2:30 P. M. Pastor's Cabinet.
6:00 P. M. Cherub and Carol Choirs.
6:30 P. M. Training in The Christian Life.
7:30 P. M. Worship. "False Promises."
The W. M. S. Circles meet Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.
Wednesday
6:15 P. M. Youth Choir.
7:30 P. M. Bible Study and Prayer.
8:15 P. M. Senior Choir.
8:15 P. M. Brotherhood Executive Meeting.
"This Is The Answer," a new Television series of Religious Dramas will be featured on Channel 7, at 1:00 P. M., and on Channel 12, at 12:30 P. M. each Sunday through March 29. The problem dealt with this week is "Family Unity," under the title, "The Silent Guest." A crisis comes to the Cartwright family when Bob, head of the home, loses his job, and is faced with the problem of getting anther. The family is composed of parents, a college freshman, a teen-ager and an eleven-year-old.
This program could prove helpful to you and yours.

New Hope Baptist Church
Sunday School, 10:00 A. M.
Marning Worship, 11:00 A. M.
B. T. U., 7:00 P. M.
Evening Worship, 8:00 P. M.

ANNUAL SCHOOL OF MISSIONS TO MEET

The Annual School of Missions of the Memorial Methodist Church begins Sunday evening, January 11, at 6:00 o'clock, with a Fellowship Covered-Dish Supper sponsored by Circle No. 1, Mrs. Ivey Holland, Chairman, of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Each person is encouraged to bring a dish of food and join the fellowship hour; and immediately the first discussion period of the book, "Alaska and Hawaii" will be conducted by Mr. Lewis Motley. The Discussion Period will begin at 6:45 and at 7:30 o'clock, the Evening Worship Service will be conducted, with Mr. Claude W. Smith presiding. Dr. Basil R. Truscott will be the guest speaker.

Dr. Truscott was born in Australia and came to this country with his parents in early life, where he completed his education. For six years he was a pastor of Methodist Churches in Nebraska, and for thirty-six years he was a missionary in South America, being pastor of the First Methodist Church, Buenos Aires, Argentina. While in that city he was associated with a mission which has now become a leading Methodist Church there. The Memorial Methodist Church is now partially supporting the work of that church in the need of a thriving metropolis of South America. In 1956 Dr. Truscott and his family returned to the States and chose the Virginia Conference for his residence; having been appointed by Bishop Paul N. Garber to be the pastor of the Timberlake Methodist Church in Lynchburg.

The School of Missions Memorial is being arranged by the Commission of Missions, Mrs. J. Newton Jennings, chairman, and the Commission urges each member of the church to be present, and visitors are always welcome for all services conducted in the church. A large attendance is anticipated for the first of the Series of Missionary Emphasis which will continue each Sunday evening for the next six Sundays, with a varied type of program each evening.

At the 11 o'clock morning worship service, the Annual Tithing Adventure will be launched, with Senator Chas. T. Moses, Sr., chairman of the Stewardship and Finance Commission, making a statement to the membership about the Plan of the Proposed Emphasis for the period of January to Easter. The Minister will use for his sermon subject, "Why I am a Methodist..." The Youth Choir of the church will present a special anthem.

Hixburg

Hixburg, Jan. 6.- People around here have had a plenty of venison, as this has been a very successful deer hunt season.

The animals are so tame they come almost up to the farm houses. One walked calmly along in the field in front of Jim Taylor's store.

Two young hunters have slayed their quota of two bucks. Robert Walker Covington had filled his by Dec. 27. Kinckle Martin brought down his second one on Saturday. Both were gotten not far from Henry Covington's milk house.

Saturday, two Pamplin hunters, Lawrence Hodge and Donald Baldwin were lucky on Hunter Baldwin's place. Lawrence shot a wild turkey, and Donald killed a deer.

On Tuesday, Jan. 6, Mrs. W. M. Erwin, Sr., of Mount Ulia, N. C., and A. J. Shuping, Jr., her son-in-law, of Salsbury, N. C., are expected in the home of Miss Maggie Hix. Mr. Shuping will spend the night. Mrs. Erwin will remain for a visit through the week.

Mrs. Mae Gilliam Cleland, of Richmond spent Saturday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Sears. Mrs. Cleland was en route to Lynchburg to visit Mrs. E. W. Gilliam.

After spending a week taking care of her daughter, Mrs. John W. Hix, and little Tommy, Mrs. R. H. Oliver returned to her home at Prospect on Saturday.

Mrs. Marvin Glover, Jr., returned from Virginia Baptist Hospital in Lynchburg on Sunday. Mrs. John Glover is staying with her.

Lee Glenn was too sick to attend preaching on Sunday. His little baby, Robert Lee, also has a virus infection.

The Calvin Rossers, of Pamplin, were dinner guests of the Bob Covingtons on Sunday.

Dr. Twyman Williams had dinner with Mrs. Belle Marshall in her home on Sunday.

Mr. Ernest Carson ,who was taken to Virginia Baptist Hospital for treatment on Sunday, Dec. 28, was brought home on Friday.

Beckham

Beckham, Jan. 6.- Miss Annie Laura Moore, Miss Hilda Moore and Mr. and Mrs. Callie McMore visited Mr. and Mrs. Herman Moore Saturday afternoon. They also visited Mrs. C. A. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Mays and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Steppe, of Lynchburg were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Martin.

Mr. A. G. Jefferson, of Lynchburg was the guest speaker at Trinity Methodist Church on Sunday morning.

Charles Allen Tweedy, of the U. S. Navy spent several days of last week at home.

Rev. Aaron D. Smith visited Mr. and Mrs. Herman Moore on Sunday afternoon. Mr. Raymond Martin visited in this home on Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Harvey, Miss Virginia Lee Harvey. Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Moore, Mr. Robert Moore and Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Murphy visited Mrs. C. A. Moore and Mr. and Mrs. Hal Moore and family on Sunday afternoon.

Miss Eunice Martin moroted to Staunton Sunday afternoon to take Donald Lee Drinkard back to school after spending the holidays at home. Mr. and Mrs. Howlette Drinkard accompanied them.

Mrs. S .G. Martin was the Sunday dinner guest of Mrs. T. M. Martin and Miss Eunice Martin. Mr. S. G. Martin visited in the evening.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild of Trinity will meet at the church on January 15th at 8 o'clock in the evening for the annual joint meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. John Moore a family, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar T family, and Mrs. and Fletcher Burge, Jr. and family were Saturday night supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. L .E. Martin and family.

The Strain

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Father Darkleaf

by c. h. r.

Whenever you are in Richmond, you will find the most valued art treasure in the state of Virginia in the rotunda of the State Capitol building. It is the marble statue of George Washington carved by the great French sculpture, Jean Antoine Houdon. It is the only one existence of Washington done from real life, Houdon spent many weeks at Mount Vernon studying the features of Washington, and made a life mask of his face. Washington then six feet two inches tall, at age 52. The finished statue was exhibited at the famous Louvre in Paris for eight years and then brought to Virginia.

I had wanted to say something about George Washington as a farmer. He loved his farm lands, the 8,000 acres, around Mount Vernon more than he loved fighting or politics. He conducted experiments in improved methods of farming. He left a chart to guide farmers as to the proper rotations of crops, and he conducted experiments with fertilized and unfertilized crops. And George Washington was the first farmer to conduct the experiments and so it is that the family of Washington left with the inspiration for most of farm programs.

Washington proposed a place in the new United States government for a farm program . . . and unfortunately, the early congressmen and others turned it down. Farm programs have had rough sledding ever since, but I say that unless we eat, we perish, and that the American farmer rightly deserves the high place Washington gave him.

One of the most fabulous cavalry generals of the Confederacy was Gen. Jo Shelby . . . a Confederate who never surrendered although he was 32 years after Appomattox. Shelby fought in the Mississippi Valley and the western phase of the war, and therefore is rarely mentioned in our Virginia history books. But he commanded a great cavalry army, once up to 60,000 men. Jo Shelby would never accept Confederate money . . . He always wanted United States money. He became famous for many reasons . . . one of the most controversial because he took up for the James boys, Jessie James and Frank James. The scene was the battle of Prairie Grove in 1863. Shelby was a hero and in the front ranks of his cavalry and he was about to be captured a prisoner when Jessie and Frank James and a few men rescued him. He never forgot it. It is a matter of record that in 1883 when Frank James was being tried for his crimes, General Shelby, the old Confederate war hero, was a character witness in his behalf . . . and James was acquitted after Shelby arose and demanded a chance to go and shake the hand of an old confederate soldier.

Note with interest a half-page advertisement in the Roanoke newspapers announcing the formal opening of Patterson Drug Co., 101 McClanahan St., S.W., in the Professional Building, on Friday, January 9. What interested me was that the manager and one of the pharmacists was Roy A. Moon. Who he? Heavens to Betsy, he is one of our fine Spout Spring boys! We congratulate him on his success.

Sign on a farm gate: "If you can't read it, don't open it." Not bad. That is one gate we were very careful to close, hook, and otherwise leave as we found it.

I have had some revealing experiences with "self-operating elevators." Once I got into one and thought I would never get out . . . by any floor. But it has been my experience that once an idea is established as workable, others come in and expand it and increase its usefulness. Therefore, I was fascinated to see the operation of a parking garage without drivers. A man at the control spot pushes a button whereupon a conveyer draws the driverless-car to an elevator, another button pushes it to the selected floor level, and another button conveys it out of the parking spot. Brother, that's something to see!

We were eating dinner the other evening when in came a dozen young men to have a bout with the menu. They attracted attention right off, because they were the tallest fellows

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Demonstration Club Schedule

Schedule of Home Demonstration Club meetings for the week of January 19-23:

January 19: 1:30 p.m. Bethany Home Demonstration Club will meet with Mrs. E. L. Harvey.

January 19: 7:30 p. m. Liberty Chapel Home Demonstration Club will meet with Mrs Sue Childers.

January 20: 2:00 p. m. Appomattox Home Demonstration Club will meet with Mrs. W. W. Scott.

January 21: 2:00 p. m. Wreck Island Home Demonstration Club will meet with Mrs. C. E. Carson.

January 22: 2:00 p. m. Oak Grove Home Demonstration Club will meet with Mrs. C. E. Carson.

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School-Community Cannery Volume Up

The number of cans of fruits, meats, and vegetables processed in Appomattox County's two school-community canneries showed an increase of more than one-third in 1958 over 1957. A total of 47,266 cans were processed in the school cannery at the Appomattox High School. Total production in the cannery at the Pamplin Elementary School was 23,493 cans.

In addition to food conserved by canning, 13,724 pounds of lard was rendered, and 3,879 pounds of sausage prepared. There was also several hundred pounds of fruits, meats and vegetables prepared for freezing.

Instruction in the best methods of preparing and canning food was given daily in each cannery. In the Appomattox Cannery, the instructors were Mrs. Emma Lemon and Mr. Robert Beale. Mrs. A. R. Southall again served as instructor in the Pamplin Cannery

Nearly 800 persons—483 at Appomattox and 304 at Pamplin—enrolled in the school cannery program during the year just ended. "While the increase in the volume of food conserved is gratifying, the number of citizens participating in the Vocational Agriculture-Vocational Home Economics Food Production and Conservation Program is more significant," says H. B. Pack, instructor of vocational agriculture in the Appomattox High School. Pack, Mrs. Lucy Green, Mrs. Madeline Thomas and W. L. Moteley responsible for supervision of the program as a part of the adult education program of the Appomattox High School.

Established in 1942, the Appomattox School Community Cannery is among the oldest of more than 100 similar facilities in Virginia. The local food production and conservation program has been recognized in many ways, including a widely-distributed motion picture and articles in national publications.

The canneries are operated by the Appomattox County School Board in cooperation with the Agricultural Education and Home Economics Services of the State Department of Education.

Mrs. Sheffield Speaks Before Legion Aux.

Arrangements of poppies and individual place cards with a poppy on each, adorned the table of the private dining room of Maud's restaurant Monday evening for the dinner meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary at 7:00 o.clock. Mrs. J. R. Sheffield, immediate past President of the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Virginia, who is now serving as Area B Rehabilitation Chairman, spoke to the group on the rehabilitation of veterans. She told of her heart warming trip to McGuire Hospital in Richmond, December, to work in the Gift Shop there, which is a "miniature department store" set up by the Legion Auxiliary, Department of Virginia, for patients to do their Christmas shopping for each member of their family without cost to the veteran. Each veteran was also given a gift, made possible through contributions from Auxiliary units throughout the state.

There are now 515,000 patients in veteran hospitals in the United States and another 600,000 who receive treatment. She urged the members to become better informed of the rights and privileges of veterans, in order that the local community can be of more service to them. Members were urged to write their congressmen, favoring the appropriation of funds for hospitals of veterans, pensions of widows ow World War I, II and the Korean conflict, preserving the integrity of the F. B. I. files, and to oppose the curtailing of funds for hospitalization of veterans as well as the changing of Memorial Day from May 30 to the last Monday in May.

Members voted to purchase 2,000 poppies for sale on Armistice Day and plans for a covered dish supper in February were discussed.

Virginia Highway Traffic Toll Dropped to 853 in Past Year

Richmond, Jan. 14—Col. C. W. Woodson, Jr., Superintendent of State Police and Chairman of the Governor's Highway Safety Committee, announces a tentative 853 as the number of Virginia traffic deaths for 1958. This was a substantial drop below the 912 of 1957.

Col. Woodson said he used the word "tentative" because some slight upward revision can be expected if more late reports are received or people die who are now carried as injured since, for statistical purposes, their deaths would revert to the date of injury.

Two all-time records were set with the death rate (deaths per 100 million miles of travel) computed at 5.55 and pedestrian deaths held to 148 Previous lows were a rate of 6.1 last year and 152 in 1955. Recorded highs were a rate of 24.2 in 1932 and 343 pedestrian deaths in 1941. This progress was made despite a rise of from 2 to 3 per cent in traffic volumes.

Also down were crashes in which more than one person was killed. In 1957, 92 of these brought death to 239 people while the 1958 picture was 80 which killed 197 people. Crashes not involving contact with another vehicle rose from 357 in 1957 to 339 but resultant deaths were down from 391 to 380. Deaths of servicemen rose from 59 to 71. Urban deaths were up from 140 in 1957 to 158 and rural ones down from 772 to 695. Those last statistics, Col. Woodson said, reflect a steady trend which might be attributed to the steady annexation of rural areas by municipalities.

Asked to comment, Col. Woodson stated that progress was being made in all fields of traffic safety promotion but that he felt the interest of the public at large had reached a very high level.

"We must keep this interest and corresponding activity alive and not feel we can slow down after a job well done. After all, there were 853 people who lost their lives unnecessarily and we must remember that the better the record we achieve, the more difficult it is to improve upon it," he concluded.

SET FOR JANUARY 20 FARM FOREST MEETING

Sixty per cent of Appomattox County is in forest land. Some of which is of greater value than others, in that some is producing the desirable species at a profitable rate of growth.

About 96% of the forest land is owned by small land owners. These owners will determine how profitable this forest land is to themselves and to the County's economy.

Carl Holcomb, Extension Forester, will discuss "Forest Development on Small Farms" Tuesday night, January 20, at 7:30 in the Appomattox Court House.

FACULTY-STUDENT BASKETBALL GAME

A rare treat is in store for the public when the faculty of Appomattox County Schools pit their athletic prowness against high school student basket ball teams.

Two games will be played on the night of January 30 in the Appomattox High School gymnasium. Remember the date and watch next week's Times-Virginia for line-ups and other details of interest.

Adult Scout Workers Meet

The Appomattox Neighborhood Association met at the Appomattox Elementary School for lunch on Wednesday, January 7. At the meeting which followed, plans for Scouting in Appomattox for 1960 were discussed. Mrs. C. T. Cushwa of Lynchburg, District Director, was present. Mrs. Charles R. Thomas, recently elected Chairman of Appomattox County District, was introduced to the group.

Appomattox is fortunate in having so many fine volunteer workers with Girl Scouts in the County. At the present time there are 27 adults working with 3 Brownie troops and 2 Intermediate troops with a total of 65 girls.

All adult workers are members of the Neighborhood Association. They include the three members of the service team; Mrs. C. T. Moses, as Neighborhood Chairman; Mrs. T. M. Trent, Troop Organizer and Mrs. David Trent, Troop Consultant. Mrs. John Cole is Leader and Mrs. Roy Robertson is Assistant Leader of Brownie Troop No. 16. Troop Committee members include Mrs. Charlie Carter, Mrs. Fred Smith and Mrs. Holmesly Inge, Jr.

Mrs. John Grinels is Leader and Mrs. Charles R. Thomas is Assistant Leader of Brownie No. 31. Miss Rosa Mae Wooldridge and Mrs. Ben Wheeler are Troop Committee Members. Mrs. John Taylor, Leader of Brownie Troop No. 70 has 2 Assistant Leaders, Mrs. David Reed and Mrs. C. R. Wooldridge. Committee Members are Mrs. Twyman Coleman and Mrs. Stanley Boice.

Mrs. Garland Plunkett and Mrs. J. C. Caldwell are Leader and Assistant Leader respectively of Intermediate Girl Scout Troop No. 41. Mrs. David Trent, Mrs. Roy Robertson and Mrs. Hannon Wilson are members of the Troop Committee. Mrs. William Chappell is Leader of the Intermediate Girl Scout Troop No. 7 at Pamplin of which Mrs. C. E. Dickenson, Mrs. L. W. Cumby, Rev. William Chappell and Mr. L. T. Nash are Committee members.

Ward Dean Speaker At Woman's Club

The Woman's Club of Appomattox met on Monday, January 5, in the Appomattox Elementary School Cafeteria at 3:15 P. M.

Mrs. Hannon Wilson, chairman of the Welfare Department, presented the program. Ward Dean, Probation and 4Patrol Officer for District 13, spoke on Juvenile Delinquency.

A short business meeting followed the program, presided over by the president, Mrs. Martin Webb. It was announced at this time that a check for $50 had been presented by the Woman's Club to Mr. Rush, principal of the Appomattox High School, for the band fund.

Mrs. Joel Flood, chairman of the Education Department, announced that Miss Anne Dobie Peebles, president of the Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs, would be the guest speaker at the meeting on February 2. This meeting will be a dinner meeting to be held in the High School Cafeteria.

Four new members were admitted to the club as follows: Mrs. George Collins, Miss Erma Dickerson, Mrs. Crawford Davidson, and Miss Florence Caldwell.

Hostesses for the meeting were Mrs. H. Y. Spencer, Mrs. John Grinels, Mrs. Walter Ferrell, and Mrs. J. D. McDearmon.

Adult Training Course Offered

Plans are complete for a Basic Leadership Training Course to be offered here in Appomattox to all adults now working with Girl Scouts and Brownies and those interested in working with them. This will be a 16-hour course which will be given at the Appomattox Elementary School on Fridays, January 16, 23, 30, and on February 6, form 9:45 A. M. to 1:45 P. M. Those who have not registered for the course, but would like to take it, please contact Mrs. C. T. Moses, Jr., Mrs. T. M. Trent, or Mrs. David Trent immediately, or come to the school library on Friday, January 16, at 9:45 A. M. More trained adult workers are needed and interested persons are urged to take advantage of this course being offered here in Appomattox.

DAR MEETS MONDAY

The Appomattox Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, will meet Monday, January 19, at 3:00 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Stuart Farrar, Pamplin. Miss Kate Franklin will be co-hostess. The speaker for the afternoon will be State Senator Charles T. Moses, whose subject will be National Defense.

Elementary School Menu

Following is the menue for the Appomattox Elementary School Cafeteria for the week of January 18.

Monday: Cream of tomato soup with crackers, Baked potato, open face sandwich with melted cheese, cookie, ½ pint milk.

Tuesday: Baked beans with Vienna sausage, hot buttered corn, collard greens, hot corn bread with butter, fruit jello, ½ pint milk.

Wednesday: Hot dog in roll with dressing, cole slaw, black eyed peas, ice cream, ½ pint milk.

Thursday: Turkey hash with hot yeast bread, steamed rice, green peas, fruit cup, cookie, ½ pint milk.

Friday: Vegetable stew with cackers, ½ peanut butter sandwich, potato chips, apple sauce, ½ pint milk.

Mock Battles Planned During Centennial Celebration

Washington, D. C. -At least three engagements that occurred in the opening weeks of the Civil War appear now to be definitely slated for reenactment during the forthcoming Centennial of the great American conflict, Karl S. Betts, executive director of the Civil War Centennial Commission, announced here today.

These are the attack on Fort Sumter on April 12, the battle of Philippi, West Virginia, on June 3, and the first battle of Manassas, on July 21, all in 1861.

Plans for suitable observances at these points already have been started by local authorities, Mr. Betts reported. Committees have been organized in some instances, and programs, all to be coordinated with the national Centnnial Commission, gradually are taking shape.

The executive director made his announcement at the National Centennial Commission, a 25-member group established by public law, prepared to wind up its first year of operations with a meeting to be held at the Department of Interior on January 6. Reports and a further extension of plans will be among principal items on the itinerary for the session.

Meanwhile, Major General U. S. Grant, 3rd, chairman of the Commission, reiterated that the Centennial will be carried out on a "local enterprise" basis.

"We have no intention," he explained, "of telling a community, a county, or a state how it shall observe the Centennial. Each locality will be encouraged to work out its own observance. Our function here at national headquarters will be that of a coordinating agency, working to avoid conflict or overlapping wherever possible and assisting in any manner within our power and authority. As Congress appropriated for our use only enough money to cover operating expenses, each locality will have to bear the expense of the program it devises."

The chairman emphasized that he did not foresee the Centennial as a series of battle reenactments.

"Certain of the key battles naturally will be refought," he said. "But such representations are expensive and involve much labor for their organization and rehearsal, so we envision the observance of this most significant period in our history rather at a four-year pageant of useful educational programs, dedications, land acquisitions, monuments and marker unveilings, and similar steps to emphasize the lessons afforded us by the war in a manner that will bring us the greatest benefit. We also hope to gain valuable historical information by this great program in which we plan to relive the war."

At Charleston, S. C., scene of the Fort Sumter attack, the Chamber of Commerce already has held meetings to discuss plans for a suitable reenactment, but definite action has been delayed pending the inauguration next month of a new Governor. The incoming executive, Ernest F. Hollings of that city, is expected to be sympathetic toward such a program and push for necessary legislation to insure South Carolina's part in the war being fully covered during the Centennial.

Julian Metz, executive director of the Charleston Chamber, announced that, though concrete action has been postponed pending the inaugural, plans for the Centennial definitely are in the making and that he has every reason to believe they will include re-enactment of the attack on Fort Sumter.

The move for restaging the battle of Philippi has been under the direction of the Barbour County Historical Society, headed by Dr. E. E. Myers. The sesquicentennial of this engagement, first land fight of the war, was held in 1911, but a more elaborate program is planned for 1961.

Dr. Myers reported that meetings to discuss plans for a reenactment already have been held by the Historical Society, with representatives of other interested organizations present, and that he is confident a suitable program will be agreed upon, possible with some cooperation from nearby communities and from the state. While relatively obscure, the battle at Philippi was of far-reaching importance. It open the way for the formation of the state of West Virginia, secured the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad west of the

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"You ask us whence our candidate,
And what his name might be;
He comes from Appomattox,
And the spreading Apple Tree."

The above rhyme was used during Gen. U. S. Grant's successful campaign for a second term as President. Many famous stories have told about "The Apple Tree" at Appomattox. There is a marker on the right side, of Route 24 up the hill from Appomattox River, designating the site of the famed tree. However, the original road was to the right of the present Route 24, and so in 1865, "The Applee Tree" under Gen. Lee rested was on the left side of the road.